RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The question must have been considered at that time.

The Pulikkeel bridge and the Kartikapalli-Trikunnapuzha road.

203. ***MR. V. RAMAKRISHNA PANICKAR** (*Kartikapalli II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any estimate for the construction of the Pulikkeel bridge on the Kartikapalli-Trikkunnapuzha road was prepared at any time;

(*b*) if so, the estimated cost of construction of the bridge; and

(*c*) whether any ferry is being maintained by the department to ford the Pulikkeel river?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).

(*c*) Yes.

Foot bridge across Dhanapadi-Kartikapalli canal.

204. ***MR. V. RAMAKRISHNA PANICKAR** (*Kartikapalli II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there was any representation in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly for the construction of a foot-bridge across the Dhanapadi-Kartikapalli canal near the Kartikapalli street;

(*b*) if so, whether they have taken any action on the represent ation; and

(*c*) whether any ferry is being maintained by the Department to cross the canal during floods?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise.

(*c*) No.

MR. V. RAMAKRISHNA PANICKAR (*Kartikapalli II*): May I know whether there is any provision for the crossing of the canal during floods when the canal is full?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Government have not provided a ferry.

Encroachment of the sea at Neendakara.

205. ***MR. K. SANKARAN** (*Kartikapalli I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether their attention has been drawn to the fact of the systematic encroachment by see at the Neendakara bar to the north of the Neendakara bridge at Quilon; and

(*b*) what steps, if any, have been taken by the P. W. D. to prevent the contingency of the road to the north of the Neendakara bridge being washed away by the sea?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Temporary works have already been carried out at the very outset. Permanent protective works are being attended to for a

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